

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification on page 19, line 10 through line 12 as follows:

R^{10} is in particular H, C_1 - C_4 -alkyl, $C(O)H$ or C_1 - C_4 -alkylcarbonyl. OR^{10} is in particular OH, C_1 - C_4 -alkoxy, $O-C(O)H$ or C_1 - C_4 -alkylcarbonyloxy. $[[OR^{10}]]$ SR^{10} is in particular SH or S- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl.

Please amend the specification on page 73, line 15 through line 23 as follows:

It is furthermore possible to convert compounds of the formula I given below in which Y is a chemical bond and X is oxygen and compounds I in which $X-R^2$ is halogen and Y is a chemical bond by reaction with ammonia or a primary amine H_2N-R^{21} into compounds II in which W^a is a group NH or NR^{21} and $[[Y-R^{20}]]$ $V-R^{20}$ corresponds to the group R^1 (scheme 6). By alkylation with an alkylating agent R^7-L in which L is a nucleophilically replaceable leaving group, for example halogen, (halo)alkylsulfonate, such as mesylate or triflate, or arylsulfonate, such as tosylate, these compounds can then be converted into the imides I in which Y is a chemical bond and X is a group NR^7 and R^{21} corresponds to the radical R^2 .